National Mall and Memorial Parks Washington, D.C.



Cherry Blossom Festival 2013



Cherry Blossom Festival

Tidal Basin Welcome Area Services <u>March 23 - April 7, 2013</u>



NPS Information Tent 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.



National Cherry Blossom Festival Tent 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.



Stage Performances

12 p.m. - 6 p.m.



Food Tents 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.



Souvenir/Bookstore Tents

10 a.m. - 7 p.m.



A Gift of Beauty and Friendship

From death to rebirth, from feminine mystique to the warrior's code, the sakura - blossoms of the Japanese flowering cherry trees - have influenced philosophy, religion, and art across cultures for milennia.

By viewing the cherry blossoms, you are participating in the thousand-year-old practice of hanami, a practice rooted in even more ancient Asian traditions.

Ranger-Led Programs

Cherry Blossom Ranger Talks

Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Daily at 10 a.m., 2 p.m., 6 p.m.

Thomas Jefferson Memorial Daily at 10 a.m., 2 p.m., 6 p.m.

Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial (Family Friendly)
Daily at 10 a.m., 2 p.m., 6 p.m.

Lantern Walks

NPS Tent, Tidal Basin Welcome Area 8 p.m. - 10 p.m. Fridays, Saturdays & Sundays Bring your own flashlight and enjoy the memorials and blossoms at night.

Cherry Chit-Chat Runs

Washington Monument Lodge (15th St. adjacent to Washington Monument) 8 a.m. - 9 a.m. Saturdays Lace up for a leisurely 3.5 mile jog and learn about the blossoms.

Walk with a Ranger

Lincoln Memorial
1 p.m. Saturdays & Sundays
Join a Park Ranger for an afternoon stroll and explore the history of the cherry blossoms.

Self-Guided Audio Tour

Dial (202) 747-3465



Bike Tours

Thomas Jefferson Memorial 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Saturdays & Sundays Bring your own bike, helmet, and water for a leisurely ride.

Pet-Friendly Cherry Walks

Thomas Jefferson Memorial 3 p.m. - 5 p.m. Sundays Bring your furry friends to enjoy the sights and sounds of spring on a casual walk. Remember your leash, bags, and water.

Bloomin' Junior Ranger

NPS Information Kiosks

Complete an activity book about our cherry blossoms and earn a special cherry blossom Junior Ranger badge!

Ranger Talk: "First Lady of Potomac Park: Nellie Taft"

Japanese Lantern 3 p.m. Mondays & Fridays

Ranger Talk: "Cherry Blossoms over Okinawa"

World War II Memorial 4 p.m. Saturdays

Emergency - Call United States Park Police (202) 610-7500 Lost and Found (202) 426-6849